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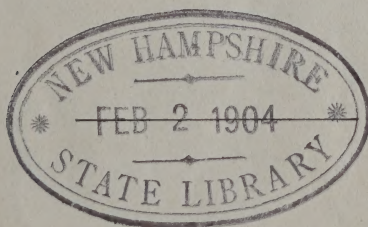
OF THE

TOWN OF STRATHAM, N. H.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1875.

ALSO, THE REPORT OF THE

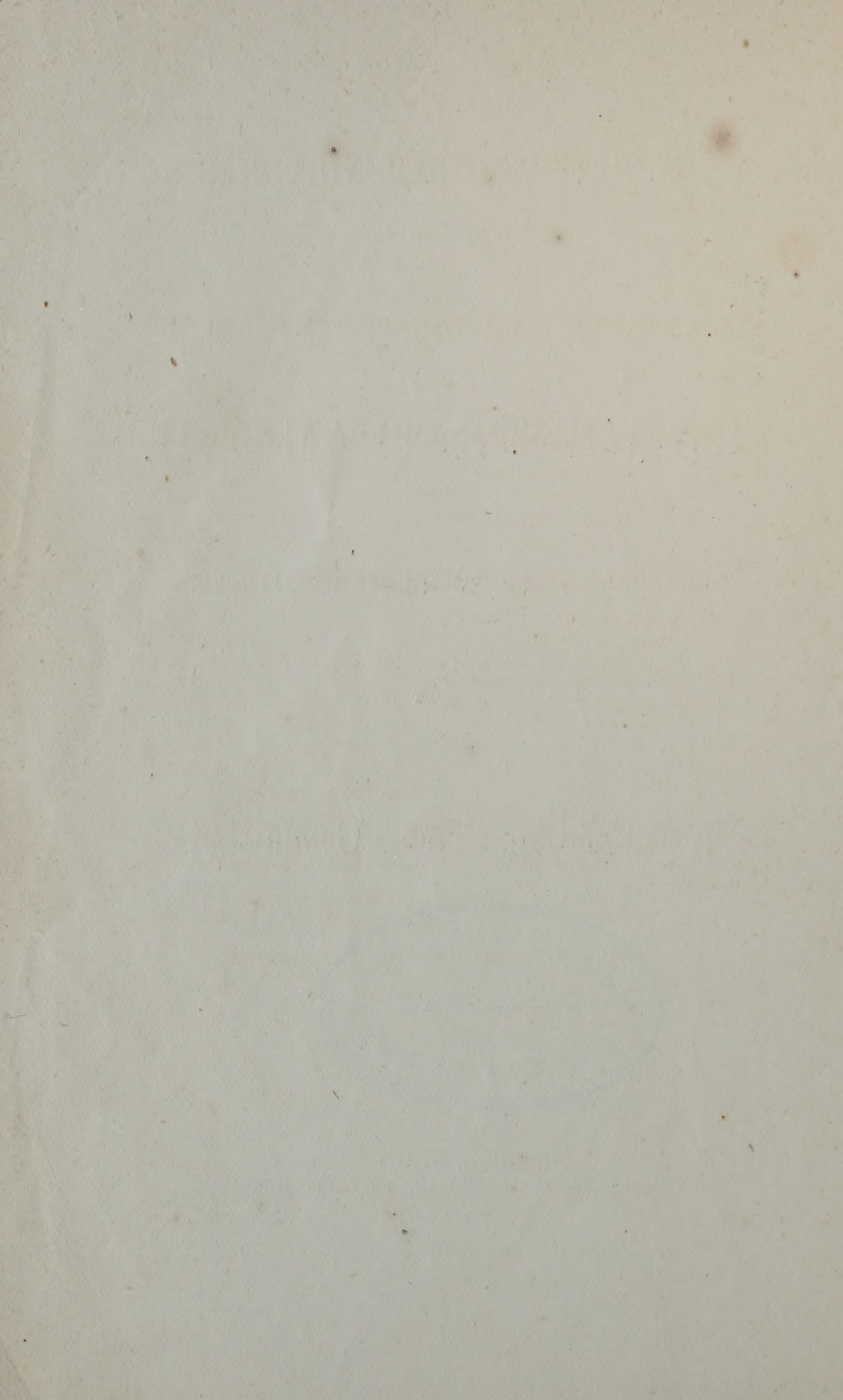
Superintending School Committee.



EXETER, N. H. :

NEWS-LETTER STEAM PRINTING ESTABLISHMENT.

1875.



SELECTMEN'S AND TREASURER'S REPORT.

ACCOUNT OF COLLECTOR GEORGE A. WIGGIN.

Amount of taxes committed to him for collection,	\$9,392 85
Non-resident tax,	622 57
Non-resident's highway tax,	37 54
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	\$10,052 96

COLLECTOR GEORGE A. WIGGIN'S DISCHARGE.

Paid . County tax,	\$1,524 34
Treasurer in cash,	7,801 49
Non-resident tax worked out,	16 09
Three per cent discount,	121 26
Abatement of taxes,	29 81
Collector's services,	100 00
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	\$9,592 99

STRATHAM, Feb. 19, 1875.

This day examined the foregoing accounts of George A. Wiggin, and find them fairly brought and rightly cast, and vouched and a balance of four hundred and fifty-nine dollars and ninety-seven cents in his hands.

JOHN J. SCAMMON, }
CHARLES A. WIGGIN, } *Auditors.*

MONEY RECEIVED BY THE TREASURER.

Received of the Treasurer of 1873,	\$1,622 55
Geo. W. Thompson,	39 00
State Savings Bank tax,	507 82
Railroad tax,	414 40
Literary fund,	48 38
U. S. Bounty,	160 00
County,	130 00
From sale of State Bonds.	5,548 32
Collector Wiggin,	7,801 49
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	\$16,271 96

TREASURER'S DISCHARGE.

Outstanding Demands and Sundry Expenses.

Paid	J. T. Smart, abatement of tax, 1873,	\$5 40
	Pinkham and Wingate, printing reports,	28 00
	A. Wiggin, services after auditing,	6 00
	Auditors of 1873,	6 00
	William Wentworth, abatement of tax, 1873,	1 00
	B. F. Rollins, " " "	9 00
	B. Goodrich, services on town farm,	150 00
	" " in full,	158 14
	G. E. Lane, Stationery,	3 39
	Andrew Chase, interest on note,	42 00
	Julia Foss, " "	6 00
	P. M. Chase, abatement, loss of cow, 1873,	36
	W. W. Stickney, for advice,	1 00
	Ira Brown, benefit of farm,	200 00
	Andrew Chase, interest on note,	36 00
	Sarah E. Griffiths, " "	120 00
	W. E. Butterfield, " "	30 00
	" " note in full,	1,030 00
	Geo. Wingate, 11 1-4 M. shingles,	28 12
	D. P. Batchelder, services after auditing,	2 00
	Andrew Chase, on note,	62 00
	Mark Roberts, interest on note,	60 00
	Ezra Barker, " "	30 00
	" " " "	30 00
	Eleanor Thompson, " "	18 00
	Andrew Chase, " "	30 00
	Ira Brown, benefit of farm,	70 00
	N. A. Copeland, tree protectors,	89 00
	A. Jewell, for E. A. Batchelder, note in full,	619 50
	James W. Odlin, tax on farm in Exeter,	13 02
	Sarah E. Griffiths, interest on notes,	120 00
	W. E. Butterfield, note in full,	1,031 37
	R. Scammon, " "	936 33
	Josiah Burley, on note,	112 75
	L. F. Hart, on Wentworth case,	1 50
	Mrs. J. C. Woolcott, on Wentworth case,	1 61
	Levi Hoag, abatement, loss of horses,	1 08
	Richard Horn, ringing bell and sweeping hall,	3 00
	W. W. Stickney, advice for '73, \$5, for '74, \$1,	6 00
	Levi Barker, note in full of school Dis. No. 3,	850 41
	Andrew Chase, interest on note,	36 00
	Julia Foss, " "	6 00
	Ezra Barker, note in full,	515 50
	Perkins & Co., express,	75
	Josiah G. Dearborn, State Treasurer,	1,380 00
	Brown, Heath & Sanborn, abatement of tax,	16 68
	D. P. Batchelder, on Wentworth case,	1 85

Paid	J. W. Odell, certificate of a birth and a death,	50
	Sarah E. Griffiths, note in full,	3,045 00
	" " " "	1,012 50
	E. M. C. Lane, on Wentworth case,	1 85
	Geo. E. Lane, stationery,	55
	Josiah B. Wiggin, damage to wagon,	3 00
	Joseph S. Staples, services as town clerk,	18 00
	John French, on Wentworth case and breaking roads,	2 47
	Nathan E. Norton, for watering trough,	3 00
	Asa Jewell, abatement of tax,	2 18
	Nathan E. Norton, abatement, loss of horse,	1 35
	Levi W. Mason, " loss of cow,	87
	Mark Roberts, damage on defective highway,	1 50
	J. J. Scammon & C. A. Wiggin, auditors,	6 00
	S. Scammon, loss of cow and work on highway,	3 21
	Charles R. Leavitt, plan of Town House,	15 00
	R. Scammon, services as Treasurer,	25 00
	Selectmen's expenses,	5 00
	J. J. Scammon, abatement, 1873,	2 62
	A. E. Jewell & J. S. Wiggin, abatement of tax of N. M. Barker,	30 00
	John Emery, abatement,	1 09
	Geo. A. Wiggin, " of taxes to Coll. '73,	4 37
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		\$12,089 82

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid	Geo. Wingate, 1,174 feet of plank,	\$23 48
	John Stearns, work on highway and breaking road, 1873 and 1874,	14 29
	N. Ramsdell, for breaking road,	60
	Geo. H. Dean, work on bridge, '73,	7 40
	Sylvester H. Wiggin, repairs on highway,	1 60
	B. Goodrich, for road trimmers,	108 12
	John H. Gilbert, work on highway,	50
	Ira Brown, for breaking roads, '73,	4 60
	Elisha Chase, " "	40
	Jeremiah Sanborn, on bridge,	28 00
	Jenness Brown, " "	14 50
	G. H. Dean, " "	16 00
	Isaac S. Wiggin, on road,	18 50
	" " on bridge,	13 50
	Alonzo Wentworth, on bridge,	7 00
	Charles E. Robinson, " "	5 25
	Thomas Piper, on highway,	17 03
	Geo. Bowley, on bridge,	8 75
	M. F. Young, land for highway,	16 00
	E. M. C. Lane, repairs on highway,	8 25
	" " labor and material on bridge,	8 75

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Paid	Benaiah Wiggin, for breaking roads,	10 40
	Geo. A. Wiggin, " "	5 25
	Samuel J. Sinclair, " "	1 40
	J. J. Scammon, " "	2 60

\$342 17

SCHOOLS.

Paid	C. N. Healey, benefit of school Dist. No. 1,	\$378 00
	Geo. W. Ayers, " " " No. 2,	200 00
	David J. French, " " " No. 3,	100 00
	Albert N. Rollins, " " " No. 4,	233 00
	Wm. G. Brown, services as Superintending School Committee,	25 00

\$936 00

FOR SCHOOL HOUSE IN DISTRICT NO. 3.

Paid	Building committee,	\$900 00
	Which was \$50 more than was legally voted to be raised by the district.	

TOWN AND COUNTY POOR.

Paid	Town and County poor not at the farm,	\$99 50
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STRATHAM, February 18, 1875.

TOWN OF STRATHAM,

1874.

TO RICHARD SCAMMON, DR.

March 14,	To settling with Treasurer of 1873,	\$0 50
16,	meeting with Selectmen at P. O.	50
April 1,	one day at town farm,	2 00
7,	paying County poor,	50
11,	half day, appraising wood and lumber,	1 25
13,	" " " "	
	paying interest on note,	1 25
16,	making assessment.	2 50
17,	" "	2 50
23,	going to Exeter, for the town,	25
30,	writing & posting warrants for town meeting and to Jewell's and Wiggin's for signing,	2 00
May 12,	paying County poor,	50
	making and recording taxes and school house tax,	10 00
14,	one day in session,	2 00
29,	preparing Collector's book,	1 50
June 2,	writing and posting warrants, town meeting paid Co. poor,	2 00
4,	at Thomas Morris, to see if inquest was nec- essary,	1 00

June 10,	going to South Newmarket, to pay interest,	75
20,	making warrant for town meeting,	50
Aug. 1,	paying Co. poor,	50
Sept. 10,	going to South Newmarket, to pay note,	1 00
Oct. 29,	going to town farm to get account of tramps,	50
30,	“ Portsmouth to settle with court,	2 50
Nov. 10,	perambulating line between Greenland and Stratham,	2 00
30,	going to Newmarket to pay interest on notes,	1 00
Dec. 21,	widening swamp road and revising jury box,	2 00
1875.		
Jan. 1,	going to Exeter to Gen. Marston, on Wentworth case,	50
	summoning witnesses,	1 97
2,	attending court at Portsmouth,	2 50
19,	order of notice on widening swamp road, going to Mr. Young's and Mr. Jewell's, making return to Clerk,	1 25
26,	paying Co. poor and Mrs. Foss, interest on note,	75
27,	paying note against the town,	75
Feb. 4,	Exeter to settle with County Commissioners,	75
6,	paying Co. poor,	50
9,	half day in session,	1 00
10,	Newmarket and P. O.,	85
11,	Exeter, to get money,	50
15,	going to Manchester, to pay notes against town,	3 30
16,	one day at town farm,	2 00
18,	one day auditing accounts,	3 50
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		\$60 62

Received Payment,

R. SCAMMON.

TOWN OF STRATHAM,

1874.

To A. E. JEWELL, DR.

March 16,	To post office,	\$ 50
19,	the town farm,	1 00
31,	attending jury meeting,	50
April 1,	one day at town farm,	2 00
6, 7, 8,	taking inventory,	7 50
11,	half day surveying wood and lumber,	1 25
13,	“ “ “ “ “	1 25
16, 17,	making assessments,	4 00
28,	surveying wood,	50
May 14,	making surveyor's list,	2 00
June 4,	half day at Thomas Morris'	1 00
20,	posting warrant,	50
Sept. 30,	attending jury meeting,	50

Nov. 10,	on Greenland line,	2 50
Dec. 21,	widening road and revising Jury box,	1 00
1875.		
Jan. 2,	Portsmouth on Wentworth case,	2 50
9,	attending jury meeting,	50
Feb. 9,	Richard Scammon,	1 00
16,	town farm,	2 00
18,	auditing accounts,	3 00
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		\$35 00

Received payment,

ASA E. JEWELL.

TOWN OF STRATHAM,

1874.

TO ISAAC S. WIGGIN, DR.

(For services as Selectman.)

March, 16,	To returning check list,	\$ 50
19,	R. Scammon's, town farm and Exeter,	1 50
31,	attending jury meeting,	50
April 1,	one day at town farm,	2 00
6, 7, 8,	taking inventory,	6 00
10,	making out returns of R. R. stock,	50
11,	one-half day examining wood lot,	1 00
12,	going to Newmarket Bridge and measuring wood, and half day examining wood lot	1 50
16, 17,	making assessment,	4 00
18,	going to Greenland line, to measure wood	1 00
May 14,	one day preparing surveyors' books,	2 00
15,	one day appointing surveyors of highways and distributing books,	2 00
19,	appointing pound keeper,	50
29,	going to post office on town business,	50
June, 2,	“ “ “ “	50
12,	R. Scammon's, on town business,	50
20,	writing warrants for special town meeting,	1 00
Aug. 1,	R. Scammon's, to see about Ayer's bridge (so called,)	50
10,	one-half day working on bridge,	1 00
Sept. 30,	attending jury meeting,	50
Oct. 12,	R. Scammon's, with petition,	50
Nov. 10,	perambulating the line between Stratham and Greenland,	2 00
16,	one-half day getting help to repair Ayer's bridge	1 00
Dec. 21,	laying out road and revising jury box,	2 00
1875.		
Jan. 2,	Portsmouth, on Wentworth case,	2 00
9,	attending jury meeting,	50
Feb. 9,	half day in session at Mr. Scammon's,	1 00
16,	one day at town farm,	2 00

Feb. 18, To one day and evening, auditing accounts,	3 00
Selectmen's expenses,	5 25

\$46 75

Received payment,
ISAAC S. WIGGIN.

RECAPITULATION.

Outstanding demands and sundry expenses.	\$12,089 82
Highways and bridges,	342 17
Schools,	936 00
School house,	900 00
County poor,	99 50
Selectmen's bills,	142 37
Cash in Treasurer's hands,	1762 10
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	\$16,271 96

STRATHAM, Feb. 19, 1875.

This day examined the foregoing accounts of the Treasurer, and find them fairly brought, rightly cast, and vouched, and a balance of seventeen hundred sixty-two dollars and ten cents in his hands, (\$1762 10).

JOHN J. SCAMMON,	} Auditors.
CHARLES A. WIGGIN,	

TOWN FARM.

Expenditures,	\$1345 49
Superintendent's salary,	250 00
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	\$1595 49
Receipts,	1492 64
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Balance against the farm,	\$102 85
Appraised value of stock and provisions found on the town farm, Feb. 16, 1875,	\$1092 89
Respectfully submitted,	

RICHARD SCAMMON, Treasurer.

INDEBTEDNESS OF THE TOWN.

Amount of notes against the town, March 1, 1874,	\$18,691 00
Other bills as estimated,	500 00
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Debt,	\$19,191 00

MEANS OF PAYMENT.

Cash in the Treasurer's hands,	\$1622 55
State bonds,	5400 00
	<hr/> \$7022 55
March 1, 1874, amount of debt	\$12,168 45

There was a mistake, one or two notes were overlooked in making the amount.

The town debt, Feb. 15, 1875, is,	\$9871 00
Other bills as estimated,	650 00
	<hr/> \$10,521 00

MEANS OF PAYMENT.

Cash in the Treasurer's hands,	\$1762 10
Uncollected taxes,	459 97
Received from District No. 3, after auditing,	50 00
On a receipt overpaid, not corrected by auditors,	10
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Amount of town debt,	\$8248 83
Reduction of town debt this year,	\$3919 62

REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

C. N. HEALEY, Prudential Committee.

Length of Summer Term, 17 weeks. Teacher, Miss Martha M. Cate. Length of Winter Term, 13 weeks. Teacher, John P. Sanborn,

DISTRICT NO. 2.

GEO. W. AYERS, Prudential Committee.

Length of Summer term, total, 14 weeks. Teachers, Miss Laura A. Foss, 3 weeks; Miss Alice M. Swett, 11 weeks. Winter term, not closed; same Teacher as in Summer.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

DAVID J. FRENCH, Prudential Committee.

No school in Summer. Teacher of Winter term, Mr. J. R. Rollins; not finished.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

A. N. ROLLINS, Prudential Committee.

Length of Summer term, 14 weeks. Length of Winter term, 12 weeks. Teacher of both terms, Miss Emma Blodgett.

In reviewing the past scholastic year we find many encouraging features. Our teachers have been earnest and efficient, ever anxiously watching over the moral and intellectual development of those under their charge. It has been apparent, even to a casual observer, that they have shown more than common interest in their scholars. Two of the schools have had the same teachers Summer and Winter. This plan should always be adopted, whenever it is practicable.

It is unnecessary to particularize any one of the teachers. It may be said of them all, "Well done." Their instructions have been thorough, constantly endeavoring to bring up the standard of education to a higher plain. We would not be understood to say that everything in regard to the schools has been perfect, because so long as instruction is progressive, perfection is not attainable; but in justice it may be said that their labors have been well directed and should be satisfactory to all interested.

In the first part of the year a spirit of division seemed to threaten the welfare of one district; but this cloud has passed away. Progress is triumphant.

District No. 3 now justly boasts the best and most commodious school house. Never have the children of this district appeared so studious, contented and happy, as at my visit in the new school room.

We hope soon to see light, healthful and cheerful rooms in place of the low, unhealthy and cheerless ones in present use. The discipline in our schools throughout the town has been a fair average with the best of other years. In one or two instances there has been some annoyance to teachers, by the larger scholars, who should have been examples of good behavior, and patterns for the younger ones.

Vocal music has been practiced in some of the schools. It would be well if more attention could be paid to this branch of education.

Declamation and composition have received a share of time, and in some instances with marked success, and in all it is a step in the right direction. A long felt need has been supplied, this last term, by the introduction of new Readers, which have given mutual satisfaction.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM G. BROWN,

Superintending School Committee of Stratham.

Stratham, February, 1875.

TABLE OF STATISTICS.

DISTRICTS	1.	2.	3.	4.	TOTAL.
Whole No. of scholars in Summer,..	34	37	...	15	.....
“ “ “ Winter,..	31	....	....	21	. ....
Average in Summer,....	26	24	....	13	.....
“ Winter,.....	27	...	....	17	.....
Wages of Female Teachers,.....	....	\$30	....	\$30	....
Wages of Male Teachers,.....	\$60	....	....	\$35	.....
Income from Literary Fund,.....	....	....	....	....	48 38
School Money raised by Town,.....	....	....	....	....	1,207 50
Whole amount of School Money,..	....	....	....	....	1,255 88
Visits by Supt. School Committee,..	5	4	....	5	.....
Visits by Prudential Committee,....	1	....	....	2	.....
Visits by citizens and others..	65	11	....	38	.....

The Winter terms of District No. 2 and 3 are still in session.

LIST OF TEXT BOOKS.

Readers, Franklin Series; Comprehensive Spelling Book; Appleton's Arithmetic, Greenleaf's Algebra; Mayhue's Book-keeping; Quackenbos' Grammar; Cornell's Geography.

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